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The Second Convention.

The demand for a withdrawal of the call for a second convention in New York ought to be heard all over the Union. The call was issued by a body of men representing nobody in the world except themselves and a few thousand other voters of like cranky dispositions. It has behind it no public opinion worth talking about. It is cordially supported by the newspaper organs of the Republican party, who do not hesitate to advise their readers that Democratic division is Republican oppor-

We say the call for the Syracuse convention ought to be withdrawn. Nevertheless, we do not regard its recall as indispensable to the success of the Democratic party in New York. The Albany convention spoke for the Democrats of the Empire State. Its members, as the World assures us, were the men who have fought in that State the battles of the national Democratic party. The men it put forward as its representatives are entitled to speak for the wealth, intelligence, and genuineness of the Democratic party of the greatest State in the Union. Whoever has attended a Democratic National Convention knows that the delegates the Syracuse convention may send to the Chicago convention will be considered as nothing but holters and soreheads. There will be apparently hardly a leading man willing to encourage them in the slightest degree. They will be overwhelmed by the united opinion of the regular delegates from all over the Union. An indignant denial of their right even to appear before a committee of the "regulars" will be the response of the national convention to the

Syracuse bolters. Notwithstanding the insignificance of the bolt in New York the call for a second State convention should be withdrawn. The majority must rule. The constituted authorities of the Democratic party must be respected. Now is no time to put your hand to the plow and look back. Now is no time to encourage malcontents. Now by men who play the game of "heads I win, tails you lose," but by men who rebolters and soreheads. Now is no time to divide the Democratic party. If the organization of the Democratic party in York needs reconstruction this be done when there are none but State elections about to take place. Then, if ever, is the time to "revolt." Then is the time to show your strength. Make this strength felt at the primaries preceding a State election, and you will be respected by your Democratic brethren in every State from Maine to California. To bolt now is to declare that so far as the bolters are concerned they would rather turn the South over to the Republicans bolters. than to have the regular Democrats of New York do the unimportant work of nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States. Men and brethren, are you prepared to make such an avowal as that, or to lend your countenance to men who are not ashamed

Let there be no second convention Withdraw the call.

The West Virginia Debt.

It seems to have been forgotten that West Virginia, as required by her first Constitution, appointed a commission some twenty or more years ago to settle with Virginia how much of our State debt the former ought to pay. A. W. Campbell, Jonathan Bennett, John J. Jaceson (we

the purpose for which it was intended. We are sorry to see our Legislature going behind the above-mentioned action of

West Virginia. Not the issue.

but one question upon which the Demo. crats in Congress were in danger of diiding at the session of 1891-'92, -namely, the silver question-and that as the Repub. licans constituted a majority of the members of the Senate, they would not be likely to pass any bill which would remove that bone of contention between the bi-metallists and monometallists of the Democratic party. The condition of things in Washington at present proves that that 'forecast" was a good one. The Republicans do not seem to be tran bling themselves at all either to se the full monetization of silver or to repeal the law now upon the statute-book, which provides for the purthase and coinage annually of fiftyfour millions of silver dollars. On the contrary, they act as if the Demoerats were responsible for the existing condition of things and were to be held responsible for it by the Republicans despite the fact that these latter have the President of the United States and control the Senate. There are several pro-silver Republican members in the Senate, bu hey seem to have concluded not to fight

We might, therefore, say to-day of the Republicans in Congress what we said yesterday of the Democrate in that bodyto wit., that they have ordered the silver question to the rear. Certainly that ques tion is not now a practical one, that it is absolutely certain that President Harrison would veto a free-coinage bill even if both houses of Congress were to pass one. He is totally opposed to any debasement" of the currency.

By the way, we never write upon the ubject of free coinage without wondering what has become of the sixty or eighty thousand Alliance men in Virginia we were told last summer, would never cast their votes for any candidate opposed to that measure. They seem to have disington are discussing this all-important ion passes resolutions demanding the consideration of the same. More: The Trans-Orleans, was composed of solid delegations of free-coinage advocates from Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Wyoming, Arizons, New Mexico, backed by majority delegations from Mississippi and Texas, and contained majority delegations against free coinage from only Kansas, Louisiana and Nebraska-these backed by solid deleand Arkansas-making the Congress consist of 142 advocates of free coinage to 89 against it. And yet the Virginia Alliance men are not heard from. Do not these facts indicate unmistakably that free coinage is not to be the controlling issue in the presidential election? Unquestionably, But surely they do not also indicate that the advocates of the dollar of the daddies are going to ground their arms. There is, in fact, no doubt that the Chicago convention will pass an ambiguous resolution on this subject. Free coinage is growing in mportance every day. The restleseness of India under the unjust laws which "debase" her rupees and compel her to consider the expediency of a single gold standard will result in a bright future for sil-

We repeat our interrogatory: Where are the 80,000 Alliance men of Virginia?

Boston Ideas, &c.

In his recent speech made before the chusetts," eulogized Governor Russell, of Massachusetts. He said that more than half the people were idolizing him; that he (Lindser) had once cast a ballot for him, and, as a clincher, added that "Boston ideas dominate the country." Boston has so good an opinion of herself that the mention of her name is well calculated to recall Sydney Smirm's story of the man who never heard his own name called without taking off his hat. We shall not deny nor affirm that Boston ideas dominate the country; nor shall we grieve over the fact, if fact it be. We do not know exactly what Mr. Lindser means by the phrase, "Boston ideas," Nor do we know when these ideas took possession of Boston. But we wish to remind Mr. Laspage and all others concerned in the spread of Boston ideas that a majority of the good people of that city are said to be either foreigners by birth or the children of foreigners. Perhaps the spread of these ideas betokens a bright future for Boston. And yet what would the consumers of beans not do to defend their city from the charge of being, to all intents and purposes, a foreign city We do not refer now to her large foreign population so much as to the want of sympathy between her and the rest of the country. One half of her population always keep an eye on Europe. The other half have an eye to schemes and policies which people of no other city joins Boston in ad-

vocating. New England claims the public-school system of the Union as a part of her work. Perhaps it was to this assumed fact that Mr. Landsey had reference when he said

that Boston ideas dominate the country. Mr. Lindsey meant his words to imply more than they expressed when he went out of his way to mention Governor Russent. He intended to bring that highlyrespectable gentleman forward as a possi ble nominee of the Democratic Nationa Convention for President of the United States. How little favorable response this suggestion is likely to meet with

every intelligent reader ought to know. We venture to say that Governor Russell instead of being a possible nominee for President, is in full sympathy with the bolters of New York and their siders and abettors. It goes without saying that national conventions are not "dominated spect and support the regular organizations of their respective parties. As well expect the Chicago convention to nominate a Republican, or the Minneapolis convention to nominate a Democrat, as to expect either to nominate a bolter. It is not in the nature of "professional politicians" to support for office the milkand-water, namby-pamby adherents of their respective partisans. Governor Rus-exil must prove himself worthy of a past, and the price (except for a spurt this year) nomination before it will be tendered to him. Especially must be purge himself of all suspicion of being a sympathizer with

The New York Newspapers. The New York protesters have received crushing blow in the abandonment of their cause by the World, which announces that it will not further encourage the holding of a second convention.

Of the great morning papers, the Staats Zeitung excepted, the bolters can now only rely for aid on the Herald and Times. The latter is a Republican journal of marked Mugwump tendencies. and while it is fair in dealing with most subjects, its admiration for Mr. CLEVELAND (whom at one period it round- dition the community would be in if people-very common. ly abused) and hatred for Mr. Hill have money was made "cheap." The dollars

upon the people. are not sure as to the last-named) came to Richmond, examined all our books and records bearing on the subject, and made a report to the Legislature of West Virginia, claiming that that State owed not one dollar of the Virginia debt. They arrived at this conclusion by deducting from the correspondent of the control of the control of the control of the virginia debt. They arrived at this conclusion by deducting from the correspondent of the control of the debt-paying cather the debt-paying cather would increase "the debt-paying cather the d

whole amount of revenue West Virginia had paid to Virginia the total of the sums of money which had been expended in West Virginia. This was not a fair mode of ascertaining the amount of West Virginia. This was not a fair mode of ascertaining the amount of West Virginia to be seriously thought of. And while the confidence, that a little healthy inflation would not prove to be an unmixed evil. first place than the second on the ticket. It is more than likely that the Herald is engaged in a sort of political dalliance with the public until it can make up its mind as to the course which it should pursue. Meanwhile it is not very vociferous in

urging the second convention. We argued last summer that there was The New York Commercial Advertises (Colonel Cockenia) is a thoroughly independent paper. It sometimes strikes Hn.L. hard, but it also ridicules the dignified thing, it is soverer on Chevenand than on Hill. It gets very mad when it hears big and others of whom will visit this city pers. lies told on either. Very recently it has later. characterized LARRY GODKIN, of the Ecening Post, in the terms that he deserves for libelling Mr. Hraz. It denounces as wholly unworthy of belief, and therefore unthe statement of Goden that Hill gets somebody else to "write his speeches."

It seems impossible for Hun's enemies not write them." Cocserill, who surely knows, asserts that it is just as reasonable gressional aid. to allege that Mr. BLADE gets the spitcon-cleaner of the State Department to the deepening of James river in accord-

Mr. OTTENDORFER'S Staats Zeitung is a we are sorry to say that it is with the anti-HILL protesters.

the bettle of free coinage themselves, but to eave it to the Democratic members to do fighting against a second convention, it appears to us that those misguided gen- further appropriations. en will have to depend chiefly upon the Times for newspaper help. Of course, we say nothing about the out

against HELL and in favor of the bolters.

The Recent Riots in Berlin. At present Berlin is the evnosure of the news-gatherers of Europe, who are sending out a mass of telegraphic matter regardng the rioting which commenced in that city a few days ago and has continued at intervals ever since. However, until these telegrams have been sifted of sensational appeared from the public arens. They features and the coloring of individual hold their peace whilst caucuses in Washslowly in reaching conclusions as to the question and whilst the St. Louis conven- significance of the disturbances and their bearing upon the govern-mental regime of the German empire. mississippi Congress of Friday last, in New Despite contentions to the contrary, it seems certain that the developments so far do not justify the belief that the outbreak was the result of collusion with any party having for its object the subversion of the existing authority. Berlin, it should be remembered, is the London of the German empire, embracing in its roughs the dregs of all classes of society. While gations of anti-silverites from only Iowa it is a fact that so-called labor riots have recently occurred in many of the larger cities of Europe, it is also a fact that much more of the edium of these disorders has attached to the laboring classes proper than can with justice be charged to them. The Berlin mob is likely to prove no exception to this rule, seeing that when the whole truth comes out it will in all probability be shown that the percentage o real workingmen actually actively engaged in it was comparatively small. Such an experience would comport with the experience of the rest of Europe, and with that of this country.

That leaven of dissatisfaction is working in the laboring elements of Europe cannot be denied, but that is far from going to the extent that some do and declaring that this agency is synonymous with the leaven of revolution. There is no real parallel between the causes that have led to the late disorders in the cities of Europe and those which started the wave of revolution in 1848. This is especially worthy of remark in connection with the Berlin riots. New York Southern Society, Rev. John Nor is the manner in which the rioters of S. Lindser, "of Virginia and Massato-day have been dealt with, as compared to-day have been dealt with, as compared to-day have been dealt with. with the treatment of the Berlin mob in 1848, any less worthy of remark. However indiscreet the young Emperor might have been in his Brandenburg speech-which may or may not have been one of the in-fluences in inflaming the lower orders of Berliners-he has unquestionably shown discretion in the methods he has used in putting down the rioters.

In 1848 the powers resorted to were musketry and artillery. The streets were deluged with blood, and the feeling against the grandfather of the present Emperor, old WILLIAM, for the part he took in the butchery was so intense that he had to fice his weak and vacillating brother's domains, and for years afterwards bore the nickname of the "Cartridge Prince." The means employed last week to restore order were the batons and the flat sides of the swords of the police, and the day following the principal disturbance the Emperor rode through the thoroughfares of his capital, attended only by one military aid and two policemen.

When we consider that the Social Demo crats are a recognized party in German po lities and their leaders have repudiated all connection with the rioting, and when it is recalled that the Emperor could have brought thousands of rifles and hundreds of pieces of artillery to bear on the mob at a moment's notice, the contention that the situation is any graver than that which environs the temporary uprising of the lower order of any great metropolis has, it would seem, very little base to rest upon. It is hardly possible that if the affair had been premeditated the fact would have remained unknown to the government, or that if it involved danger to the imperial prerogative it would have been left to

"A Little Healthy Inflation." We cannot say that we favor a y mea ure which would result in making money 'cheap." We are unalterably opposed to the schemes of the fiat Greenbackers. We have no faith in any of their economical nostrums. We would not destroy the national banks, nor offer a premium to the monometallists. In a word, being naturally conservative, we are, as usual, content best we can under the financial system already familiar to the country and known to be good, if not the best. We advocate the free coinage of silver only as an experiment that might produce good results. A colloquy which took place last week in Washington between Mr. PILLSBURY, the great Minneapolis miller, and Mr. Lewis of the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives, is suggestive: "Mr. Lewis: Then the statistical position of

has been growing weaker? "Mr. Pillsbury: That is so.
"Mr. Lewis: Does not the value of money have a great deal to do with it? Isn't money

worth more than ever?
"Mr. Pillsbury: I think that as a whole dollar will buy more goods than ever before.
"Mr. Lewis: If we had \$1,500,000,000 stead of \$650,000,000 in circulation would not the farmers get more for their wheat ? "Mr. Pillsbury: More nominal dollars, but

perhaps these would not buy so much.
"Mr. Lewis: It would give the farmers more "Mr. Lewis quickly retorted : 'That is what is the trouble with them, is it not?' And there was a general laugh in the committee."

"More debt-paying capacity" is a form of words which exactly describes the conthey would increase "the debt-paying ca-

James River. The Hon, Gronge D. Wiss is diligently thorne," laboring to gain from the House Commitmittee on Rivers and Harbors and from Congress the recognition which James river deserves in the distribution of moneys intended to aid in the improvement of water-ways of national imporwork in this direction himself, but has in- and of the ruined tower at Jamestown. pretensions of Mr. CLEVELAND. If any. terested therein a number of his brother

Richmond would not take from Norfolk or Newport News one cent that should tic Significance" by Dr. D. G. Barston; justly go to them, and will not antagonize. "A Modern Stoic: Emily Bronte," by the claims of either. We have none but worthy of publication in a decent journal, kind feelings for both of those thriving Play, by Bronnstreame Bronnson; "Charcities. Our maxim is grow and let grow. There is room enough for all of us on the broad bosom of the Old Dominion; but to deny that Hill's speeches are able and sound, and hence they are forced to resort and to Virginia, and to other States in anonymous writer, and various notes and to the device of saying that "first does deed, if we were passive whilst other communities are so active in soliciting con-The National Government is pledged to

write his State papers as to suppose that ance with the recommendations of its en-HILL gets another person to write his gineers, but its tardiness and lack of liberpaper of high character and influence, and ferer by it to the amount of millions. But The Sun has been for Hill against the by their indifference to a dilatory policy. bolters all along, and now that the World We should commend Mr. Wise for all will second it, to the extent, at least, of that he has done for us—and it has been

and out Republican papers—they are all steamboats and the railroads are checks upon one another.

The World's-Fair Appropriation-

The Senate has passed a bill appropriating \$50,000 to provide for a Virginia exhibit at the World's Fair; but the House yesterday failed to pass its bill , which contemplates an expenditure of only \$35,000. When the Senate bill gets to the House the latter body will have a good opportunity to reconsider its action. It can do so. it is true, on its own bill, but perhaps it will be better to attempt it under the prestige of the Senate bill.

No matter how the subject matter is reached, we fervently trust that the House will comply with the general wish and vote a liberal sum of money. Let us make a beginning in advertising

our State, and this seems to be a move in the right direction.

Don't let it be said that Virginia is too poor to show the world how rich she is in

We do not believe that Mr. CLEVELAND is in favor of the irrational and unjustifiable "Democratic convention" proposed in New York by the Cooper-Union people, but if he is not-if he is the bold and decided man that we have always credited him with being-he should come satin; out and say so, up and down, and end the

This we expect him to do, and with such action on his part will disappear like the baseless fabric of a vision the movement against the regular Democrats.

We hope THE RICHMOND DISPATCH is not to earnest when it asks the Democracy of Virginia to take up the quarrel of the Democratic factions in New York .- Clorke Courier.

The Courier classes the regular Demo erats of New York with the bolters as a 'faction"; but the fact is that the Albany convention was held by the Democratic party of New York, and that the Syracuse convention will be the work-if of anybody-of bolters.

Literary Notes.

The first number of the new Boston magazine, Two Tales, which will soon appear, will have a story by A. C. Gondon, of Virginia, under the title of "Halifax Borough'." The other of the twain tales will be by Miss Many E. Wilkins. Many noted authors have been engaged to contribute to succeeding numbers. The enterprise is backed by large capital.

P. F. Colliss, the publisher of Once a Week, claims for his paper, and apparently with reason, a circulation of 200,000 weekly; and as each subscriber receives a copy of the "Once a Week Library" with every issue of the paper, we have the startling result of 10,400,000 copies of each publication issued in a year. If this sort of thing keeps on some enterprising publisher will soon be sending us a novel every day and begging us to take a chromo with it.

Pox's cottage at Fordham, N. Y., is said

to be going to ruin very rapidly, although nearly a thousand people visit it each year. No one will live in it on account of its unhealthy condition, and as the wealthy neighbors look upon it as an eye-sore it is ikely soon to disappear.

In Dr. H. H. Funness's Variorum Edition of Shakspeare, the ninth volume, now in press, contains "The Tempest."

The diary of GEORGE M. DALLAS while he was United States Minister at St. Petersburg and at London is being printed by the Lappincours. It has been edited by SUBAN DALLAS.

Dr. Cynus Epsos will try to prove in the March North American that we live too fast. In Lent we do. An edition of BISMARCE's speeches, in ten

stout volumes, is to be issued. The first two are expected to appear this year. Dr. Hossy Kork will be the editor.

Torsyon's latest work "L'Argent et le Mrs. John Eldridge, who has been on a visit to her son in North Carolina, has returned.

Mme, Michelet, widow of the French historian, is about to publish her husband's notes of his journey to Rome, in 830, taken from his letters to the Duchesse de Berri and the Princesses of the Orleans family as well as from a diary.

The March Cosmopolitan will contain an article by Professor Garnes on "The Speech of the Lower Animals." Preceding articles and addresses by him on the same to let "well enough" alone and do the subject have attracted considerable at donated. tention.

The total sales of the General Book Committee of the Methodist Church in 1891 were \$2,202,114,40. The total profits were \$305,485.81, out of which an annual appropriation of \$125,000 is made for the benefit of superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers. Colonel INGERSOLL considers SHARES-

PEARE's line, "Love is not love when it alteration finds," the sublimest in the English language. The most widely read of modern novel-

ists is Aleest Ross, whose publishers report a sale of more than half a million copies of his works. The most popular one betore him was E. P. Ros, whose novels have also sold up into the hundreds of thousands. The New York World thinks that the secret of these two men's success lies in the fact that they both "deal exclusively with commonplace lives; they designed the secret of these two men's success and the secret of these two men's success lies in the fact that they both "deal exclusively with commonplace lives; they designed the secret of these two men's success lies in the fact that they both "deal exclusively with commonplace lives; they designed the secret that they both "deal exclusively with commonplace lives; they designed the secret that they both in the secret that they both "deal exclusively with commonplace lives; they designed the secret that they be secret that they be secret the secret that they be secret the secret that they be secret the secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret the secret that they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret the secret that they be secret they be secret they be secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret that they be secret they be secret they be secret that they be secret that they be secret they be secret they be secret they be secret that they be secret t ists is Albert Ross, whose publishers report a sale of more than half a million sively with commonplace lives; they describe such persons and such events as the people see and know about, and they de-pict the life about them as they see it." If Mr. Ross depicts the life that he sees about him his neighbors have little cause to feel complimented. We have read but one of his books, but that one was enough, and we are no prude either. We agree with the World that he deals with commonplace

Among the Lippincott Company's lates warped its judgment and turned its temport on extent that has impaired its hold not buy so much. But, as Mr. Lzwis says, Business Correspondence," by O. R. Palm-Es; "Corintnian Marazion," a country

London Times; the concluding article on London, by WALTER BESANT; a short story by Constance Fenimone Woolson; "America for Americans," a discussion of property rights of aliens in the United States, by EDWARD A. BRADSORD, and the third and last instalment of Horario Baingr's "Personal Recollections of Nathaniel Haw-

In the current No. of Harper's Weekly Marion Harland has an article giving an account of Williamsburg, which contains some interesting facts concerning Wasningron's first love affair. The article is handsomely illustrated with a portrait of tance. He is not only industriously at Many Cany and views of old Williamsburg

"Lord Palmerston," by the Marous of congresamen, some of whom are here now Lorne, will be issued at once by the Han-Poet Lore for February 15th contains "The Epilogues of Browning : Their Artis-

ARTHUR L. SALMON; "A Glove," A Prose acter in 'As You Like it': An Inductive Study," by C. A. WURTZEURG; Longfellow's 'Golden Legend' and its Analogies," by news of much interest.

PRISONERS STRIKE FOR LIBERTY.

They Are Foiled by the Coolness of the Jailer's Wife-Held and Secured. ance with the recommendations of its engineers, but its tardiness and lack of liberality in the matter have been greatly to our injury. Richmond has been the sufferer by it to the amount of millions. But all that is passed. It is recalled now only to warn our people against contributing by their indifference to a dilatory policy.

We should commend Mr. Wisz for all that he has done for us—and it has been much—and heartily second his efforts for further appropriations.

The better our highway to the sea is, the better terms we shall always be able to demand from ratiroad companies, for the steamboats and the railroads are checks upon one another.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

CLINTWOOD, VA., February 25.—Only a day or so ago the inmates of our county fail would have escaped on masse but for the timely discovery and coolness of Mrs. Hall, the jailor's wife. Mr. Hall had gone away on business and the prisoners chose this as the most auspicious time to "strike for liberty." About 4 o'click in the even ming Mrs. Hall heard as unusual noise in the jail-room, and going up, found that they had worked their way through the inaction of Mrs. Hall heard as unusual noise in the jail-room, and going up, found that they had worked their way through the man street of the steamboats and the railroads are checks upon one another. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

HELD AT BAY.

Quite a number of men at once ran to the woman's assistance, and the prisoners were driven back and held at bay till they could be secured. It was found upon exammation that they had sawed their way through the door, it being of iron. A small caw was found in the jail-room, with which they had probably been at work for some time, and having the job almost completed awaited a tavorable opport unity to utilize it. Henjamin Candill and an old man, whose name is Fuller, were the leaders of the project. ers of the project.

Clifton Forge.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.] [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]
CLIFFON FORGE, VA., February 27.—The
Cliffon German Club is determined that
those inclined to dance shall not lack the
opportunity. Friday evening the spacious
dancing hall in the Nettleton was again illuminated and the scene of a gay and joyous gathering. Among those present may
be mentioned the following ladies:
Mesdames Nelson, white mull, forget-menots, diamonds: Page, figured China silk,
diamonds: Carlisle, figured grenadine,
chiffon, and ribbons; Dunlap, figured
China silk, chiffon, and diamonds: Morris,
cream cashmere: White, black silk; Parriso, black net, jet triuming, diamonds; ream cashinere; White, blace and; Far-rish, black net, jet triuming, diamonds; Anderson, black velvet, diamonds; Misses Jessie Hughes, figured chalie, natural flowers; Strayer, cream albatross and China silk; Grice, blue cashinere, chiffion; Miller, cream China silk; Quinn, cream satin; Rose, cream cashinere, natural flowers.

satin: Rose, cream cashmere, natural flowers.

The following gentlemen were present: Messrs. H. T. Nelson, J. L. Itage, J. N. Page, George K. Anderson, George Waliace, J. W. Lipop, J. V. Hyais, J. H. Carlisle, J. D. Dunford, F. L. Külen, E. F. Dunlap, Charles Wingfield, J. C. King, H. L. Van Sickler, C. F. Moore, Dr. W. H. F. Miller, and others.

It is understood that the club will now take a rest of a few weeks. With the approach of spring and the general increase of business incident to the season, less time can be given to merry-making.

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[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.1

West Point, Va., Februry 27.—Dr. J. J., Lafferly lectured to a large audience on Thursday evening, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. The lecture was for the benefit of the Methodist church, and quite a next sum was real-ized.

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Several of our young people have received invitations to attend a reception to be given on Monday, February 20th, at the home of Mr. Kleber Edwards, near King William Courthouse. The reception is given in honor of the fourteenth bi-sextile birthday of Mr. Edwards. He does not enjoy the benefit of a birthday very often, and he thinks that he can have a birthday party at least once in four years.

Mr. W. T. Fary, for many years an honored and respected citizen of West Point, will remove to his old home in Gloucester county in a few days.

It is currently reported that Mrs. H. S. Long, the wife of one of our former townsmen, who now lives in Newport News, has fallen heir to a piece of property worth \$100,000.

Mr. H. H. Orr, one of our popular cotton

\$100,000. Mr. H. H. Orr, one of our popular cotton brokers, has removed his family to Char-lotte, N. C., until the next cotton season.

A Variety of Notes. (Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

VARTETT SHADE, February 27.—Judge Grimsley has been here holding a special term of the Circuit Court for Judge Samuel Coleman, who was counsel in severa

F. Coleman, who was counsel in several cases in this court.
Thomas R. Patteson, who was convicted of the murder of Sam. Amos some time last fall, was granted a new trial.
The county-seat has been "dry" for five or six years, but now we have two liquor-shops, and report says the third will be put into operation at next court.
Misses Minnie Ellis and Lizzie Eldridge have returned from a visit to friends in Amberst.

Amherst.
Mr. Harry G. Moseley has gone to Lynchburg to embark in business.
Mrs. L. C. Moseley is at home again after an extended visit to friends in Ken-Her. W. A. Dabney, the pastor of the

Presbyterian church at the Courthouse, is again with us after a pleasant stay in Flori-da. His wife has not returned from Lex-ington, where she has been quite sick with

Tobacco Sales-Revenue Collections.

(Special telegram to the Dispatch.) Lengthburg, Va., February 27.—The sales

of leaf tobacco in this market this week amounted to \$50,000 pounds, a considerable portion of which was brights, and prices have been well maintained.

Internal revenue collections in this district this week amounted to \$21,795.

The ladies of this city are endeavoring to raise funds for the purpose of furnishing the city jail with a library. A large number of books have already been donated. have been well maintained

The N. & W.'s Latest Acquisition. Roanoke, Va., February 27.—The Norfolk and Western railroad to-day leased the Roanoke and Southern road for a period of

Roanoke and Southern road for a period of 799 years. The latter road runs from Roanoke to Winston, N. C., and will make the Norfolk and Western a competing line with the Richmond and Danville. The lease will have to be ratified by the stockholders of the Roanoke and Southern, who will have a meeting here March 16th. The amount paid is not stated.

A White Boy Killed by a Train.

Killed by a Fal ing Tree.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

Kersyllis, Va., February 27.—Sallie Wise (colored), the 10-year-old daughter of Sam. Wise, accompanied her brother into the woods near here yesterday to get wood. While there a tree fell upon her, killing her instantly.

The oyster bill has at last passed both houses of the General Assembly and is now in the hands of the Governor. Whether he approve of it or not, it will become the law of the land, and it will bring to the Tidewater people the relief that they have long asked for.

It was known as the Chambers-Washington bill, from the names of the delegate and sensior who became its patrons in the House and Senate, but it is practically the bill of the Oystermen's Protective Union, although alterations were made to meet the views of the members of the Legislature,—Hampion Monitor-Adeasce.

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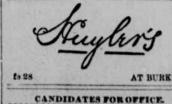


GEORGE AND HIS AXE. It has been generally supposed that George

before the Father of His Country became the father of his country, and proceeded, first, to out down a cherry tree greatly to the wrath of bis sire, and, secondly, to frankly tell the truth about it greatly to the gratification of the self same sire. This is what actually happened. It was really a good season for cherries that year, but there was a great crop of high prices. and that's where the little axe came in. There's only one thing that prevents us from fol the example of the immortal George-we have

MEETINGS-Fifth Monday. STRACUSE LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. IVANHOR LODGE, KNIGHTS OF FYTHIAS. RICHMOND, ODD-PELLOWS. INDIANOLA TRIBE, RED MEN. LES COCACIL, MECHANICS.
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